



DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. OSHA-2022-0011]

Maritime Advisory Committee on Occupational Safety and Health (MACOSH):

Request for Nominations

AGENCY: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Labor.

ACTION: Request for nominations.

SUMMARY: OSHA invites interested persons to submit nominations for membership on the Maritime Advisory Committee on Occupational Safety and Health (MACOSH).

DATES: Nominations for MACOSH membership must be submitted by January 13, 2023.

ADDRESSES: You may submit nominations and supporting materials, including attachments, electronically at: <http://www.regulations.gov>, the Federal eRulemaking Portal. Follow the online instructions for submitting nominations.

OSHA will post submissions in response to this *Federal Register* notice, including personal information, in the public docket, which is available online.

Therefore, OSHA cautions interested parties about submitting personal information such as Social Security numbers and birthdates.

Docket: To read or download submissions or other material in the docket, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. All documents in the public docket are listed in the index; however, some documents (e.g., copyrighted material) are not publicly available to read or download through www.regulations.gov. All submissions, including copyrighted material, are available for inspection through the OSHA Docket Office. Contact the OSHA Docket Office at (202) 693-2350 (TTY (877) 889-5627) for assistance in locating docket submissions.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Secretary of Labor (Secretary) invites interested persons to submit nominations for membership on MACOSH.

I. Background

MACOSH was established by Section 7(d) of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (OSH Act) (29 U.S.C. 651, 656) to advise the Secretary of Labor through the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health (Assistant Secretary) in formulating maritime industry standards and regarding matters pertaining to the administration of the OSH Act related to the maritime industry. MACOSH is a non-discretionary advisory committee of indefinite duration (see section 3510 of the National Defense Authorization Act of 2020 (Pub. L. 116-92)).

MACOSH operates in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C. App. 2), its implementing regulations (41 CFR parts 101-6 and 102-3), and OSHA's regulations on Advisory Committees (29 CFR part 1912). Pursuant to FACA (5 U.S.C. App. 2, 14(b)(2)), the MACOSH charter must be renewed every two years.

The Committee meets approximately two times per year. Committee members serve without compensation, but OSHA provides travel and per diem expenses.

Members serve a two-year term, which begins from the date of appointment by the Secretary of Labor. The current MACOSH membership will expire on April 12, 2023.

II. MACOSH Membership

MACOSH consists of not more than 15 members appointed by the Secretary of Labor. The agency seeks committed members who have a strong interest in the safety and health of workers in the maritime industries. The U.S. Department of Labor is committed to equal opportunity in the workplace. The Secretary of Labor will appoint members to create a broad-based, balanced, and diverse committee reflecting the shipyard, longshoring, and commercial fishing industries, and representing affected interests such as employers, employees, safety and health professional organizations, government organizations with interests or activities related to the maritime industry, academia, and the public.

Nominations of new members, or resubmissions of current or former members, will be accepted in all categories of membership. Interested persons may nominate themselves or submit the name of another person whom they believe to be interested in and qualified to serve on MACOSH. Nominations may also be submitted by organizations from one of the categories listed above (e.g., employer, employee, public, safety and health professional organization, state safety and health agency, academia).

III. Submission requirements

Any individual or organization may nominate one or more qualified persons for membership on MACOSH. Nominations must include the following information:

- (1) The nominee's name, contact information, and current employment or position;
- (2) The nominee's resume or curriculum vitae, including prior membership on MACOSH and other relevant organizations and associations;

(3) The maritime industry interest (e.g., employer, employee, public, safety and health professional organization, state safety and health agency, academia) that the nominee is qualified to represent;

(4) A summary of the background, experience, and qualifications that addresses the nominee's suitability for membership; and

(5) A statement that the nominee is aware of the nomination, is willing to regularly attend and participate in MACOSH meetings, and has no conflicts of interest that would preclude membership on MACOSH.

OSHA will conduct a basic background check of candidates before their appointment to MACOSH. The background check will involve accessing publicly available, internet-based sources.

IV. Member selection

The Secretary of Labor will select MACOSH members based on their experience, knowledge, and competence in the field of occupational safety and health, particularly in the maritime industries. Information received through this nomination process, and other relevant sources of information, will assist the Secretary of Labor in appointing members to MACOSH. In selecting MACOSH members, the Secretary of Labor will consider individuals nominated in response to this *Federal Register* notice, as well as other qualified individuals. OSHA will publish a list of MACOSH members in the *Federal Register*.

Authority and Signature

James S. Frederick, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, authorized the preparation of this notice pursuant to 29 U.S.C. 653, 655, and 656, FACA, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. 2), the implementing regulations (41 CFR part 102-3), Department of Labor Manual Series Chapter 1-900 (August 31, 2020), OSHA's

regulations on Advisory Committees (29 CFR part 1912), and Secretary of Labor's Order No. 8-2020 (85 FR 58393, Sept. 18, 2020).

Signed at Washington, DC, on November 17, 2022.

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